State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Transportation/Public Facilities
Southeast Region Construction
Component Budget Summary

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Component: Southeast Region Construction

Contribution to Department's Mission

Construct safe, reliable, and cost effective highways, airports, harbors, docks, and buildings.

Core Services

- Provide overall management of the division's activities.
- Administer construction contracts for all modes of transportation and public facilities.
- Provide field inspection and construction oversight.
- Modify contracts to adjust to field conditions or to ensure compliance with intended function.
- Provide quality assurance that construction documentation and materials are in conformance with contract requirements during construction and closeout of projects
- Report on Disadvantaged Business Enterprises/Minority Business Enterprise activity on construction projects.
- Review construction documents.
- Prepare bid packages.
- Advertise and award construction contracts.
- Coordinate, solicit, select, prepare and administer Professional Services Agreements.
- Adhere to procurement practices defined in Alaska statutes, regulations and as defined by relevant federal agencies.

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Key Component Challenges

TEA-21 increased the level of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds nationwide, creating competition across the country for trained and experienced engineering personnel. The State's engineer salary level has made it difficult to hire and retain experienced personnel. Although a wage increase in 2000 helped fill entry level positions, we are still having trouble recruiting and retaining journey level engineers.

At this point in time, Congress has not passed a new federal highway bill. This has created uncertainty in our level of funding and could present unforeseen challenges.

Environmental issues continue to be a challenge. Environmental constraints in our coastal environment require extreme diligence on the part of our field staff, and complicate nearly every contract modification being contemplated.

Increased security measures at airports will involve a more detailed and costly screening process prior to security badges being issued for all personnel that work on the airport. This will involve all state personnel assigned to airport projects, as well as contractors.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

No significant change in service level for FY2005.

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Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

- Received approximately \$47 million in federal highway, federal aviation, general fund, and reimbursable construction authorization in FFY 03.
- Paid out approximately \$35 million in contractor payments.
- Completed significant road improvements in Juneau (Fish Creek Road, Back Loop Road).
- Completed a 60,000 cubic yard Roller Compacted Concrete embankment in Ketchikan (Third Avenue Extension Completion) that drew national engineering interest.
- Completed a modification to the Metlakatla ferry terminal to accommodate a new AMHS vessel.
- Completed TRAAK projects in Juneau (Mendenhall Multi-use Path, Phases I and II), Skagway (Skagway River Pedestrian Bridge), and Ketchikan (Totem Bight Wayside).
- Completed major expansions at the Ketchikan Airport and the Sitka Airport.
- Completed significant upgrades to the boy's dormitory at Mt. Edgecumbe High School and the roof at the Lemon Creek Correction Center.
- Completed a significant harbor upgrade in Hyder.
- Closed out 37 completed construction contracts totaling \$50.0 million.
- Maintained our emphasis on quality by obtaining materials testing certifications for 3 new technicians, and requalifying 7 engineers under the Western Alliance for Quality in Transportation Construction program.
- Emphasized safety awareness through greater communication with public, through various forms of media (public workshops, newspaper advertisements).
- Continued training staff to meet the requirements of the new Construction Contracting Warrant System.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 02 Aeronautics

AS 08 Business and Professions

AS 19 Highways and Ferries

AS 34 Property

AS 35 Public Buildings, Works

AS 36 Public Contracts

AS 44 State Government

USC CFR 14 Aeronautics

USC CFR 23 Highways

USC CFR 41 Contracts

USC CFR 43 Lands

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Southeast Region Construction Component Financial Summary						
oompor	All dollars shown in thousands					
	FY2003 Actuals FY2004 Authorized FY2005 Governor					
Non-Formula Program:						
Component Expenditures:						
71000 Personal Services	3,809.0	4,477.1	4,698.8			
72000 Travel	57.1	6.5	6.5			
73000 Contractual	834.3	132.2	132.2			
74000 Supplies	121.5	185.0	185.0			
75000 Equipment	0.8	0.0	0.0			
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0			
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0			
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Expenditure Totals	4,822.7	4,800.8	5,022.5			
Funding Sources:						
1004 General Fund Receipts	169.3	140.0	128.2			
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	700.0	0.0	0.0			
1061 Capital Improvement Project Receipts	3,953.4	4,660.8	4,894.3			
Funding Totals	4,822.7	4,800.8	5,022.5			

Estimated Revenue Collections				
Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues Unrestricted Fund	68515	18.7	13.0	13.0
Unrestricted Total		18.7	13.0	13.0
Restricted Revenues Interagency Receipts Capital Improvement Project Receipts	51015 51200	700.0 3,953.4	0.0 4,660.8	0.0 4,894.3
Restricted Total Total Estimated Revenues		4,653.4 4,672.1	4,660.8 4,673.8	4,894.3 4,907.3

Summary of Component Budget Changes From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor All dollars shown in thousands						
	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	<u>Total Funds</u>		
FY2004 Authorized	140.0	0.0	4,660.8	4,800.8		
Adjustments which will continue current level of service: -Changes to Retirement and Other Personal Services Benefits	0.0	0.0	233.5	233.5		
Proposed budget decreases: -\$11.8 GF Reduction resulting in an increased vacancy requirement	-11.8	0.0	0.0	-11.8		
FY2005 Governor	128.2	0.0	4.894.3	5.022.5		

Southeast Region Construction Personal Services Information					
Authorized Positions Personal Services Costs					
	FY2004	FY2005			
	<u>Authorized</u>	Governor	Annual Salaries	2,926,839	
Full-time	34	34	Premium Pay	571,830	
Part-time	27	27	Annual Benefits	1,440,066	
Nonpermanent	0	0	Less 4.86% Vacancy Factor	(239,935)	
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	Ó	
Totals	61	61	Total Personal Services	4,698,800	

Position Classification Summary						
Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total	
Accounting Tech I	0	0	1	0	1	
Administrative Clerk III	0	0	2	0	2	
Division Director	0	0	1	0	1	
Eng Tech Journey	0	0	4	11	15	
Eng Tech Sub Journey I	0	0	0	1	1	
Eng Tech Sub Journey II	0	0	3	3	6	
Eng Tech Sub Journey III	0	0	0	5	5	
Engineer/Architect III	0	0	1	0	1	
Engineer/Architect IV	0	0	2	0	2	
Engineer/Architect V	0	0	1	0	1	
Engineering Assistant II	0	0	7	0	7	
Engineering Assistant III	0	0	6	3	9	
Engineering Associate	0	0	5	2	7	
Procurement Spec II	0	0	1	0	1	
Procurement Spec IV	0	0	1	0	1	
Supply Technician II	0	0	1	0	1	
Totals	0	0	36	25	61	